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1. Chief Inspector Zorn (fmu) has been appointed, pro tempore, as chief of the Hauptverwaltung für Ausbildung, succeeding Wilhelm Zaissner, who was made Minister of State Security; the appointment is effective as of 24 February. Zorn's successor as chief of the Hauptabteilung Inspektion is Weiss (fmu), who has therefore been promoted from Kommandeur to Chief Inspector.

2. On Red Army Day the following officers of the Volkspolizei were promoted:

Vice-President Meyer (fmu) (chief of the Kripo) to Inspector General.
Chief of the Administrative Police Erich Lust to Chief Inspector.
The temporary chief of Hauptabteilung Haftsachen, Karl Gertich, to Inspector.

3. Huth, the chief of the secretariat of the Berlin Police President, has been transferred to the HV Volkspolizei as chief of the Abteilung Intendantur of the HA Haftsachen.

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4. Erich Reschke, the former president of the Administration of the Interior, is now in an unknown position with the HV Volkspolizei, with the rank of Polizeikommandeur.
5. A police patrol is reported to have seen Paul Markgraf, the former Police President of Berlin, in civilian clothes in Berlin on 22 February. The wife of Vice-President Kurt Wagner of the HV Volkspolizei hinted to acquaintances on 23 February that her husband is now at home again in Berlin.
6. Abteilung K 5 of the HVVP no longer exists. Its tasks are now allotted to Abteilung B of Hauptabteilung K of the HVVP and to the new Ministry for State Security. Meyer, the chief of HA K, has stated that a special political police unit is not now needed within the Kripo; however, each Kripo member will be thoroughly trained to recognize the political significance of any crime and to take the necessary action or refer the matter to the proper agency. (Cases of sabotage will be referred to Abteilung B, and other cases to the Ministry for State Security.)
7. Beginning about the middle of February, the Berlin police have been ordered to undergo political, military, and technical training two hours per month. At the same time, a recruiting campaign was started to fill some 3,500 vacancies

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in the Berlin police force. This campaign has met with little success to date, because many prospects are discouraged by the military characteristics of the "Volkspolizei", which, indeed, are believed to be the cause of most of the resignations from the force (averaging three daily).

8. Selected members of all sections of the police are undergoing intensive screening for acceptance in the Ministry for State Security.

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